DEVELOPMENTS FAVORING AN IN-CREASE OF CONSERVATISM.

Buyers Are Becoming Cautions and Purchasing Little More Than They Actually Need.

SITUATION

NOT ALARMING

GENUINE DEMAND SUPPLANTING THE SPECULATIVE CRAZE.

Many Lines of Trade Are Active, but Some Important Industries Are Curtailing Production.

INCREASING EXPORTS

MANUFACTURERS ENDEAVORING TO EXPAND FOREIGN TRADE.

Railway Earnings Continue Large and Shipments Greater Than Can Be Expeditionsly Handled.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.-Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: "The week's developments have favored an increase in the conservatism which has ruled in many lines for some time. Buying is not so confident, and smaller quantities are taken than a year ago at this time. Actual needs, which are large, and not speculative feeling, dominate demand. Good and poor reports combine to give an appearance of irregularity to general trade as a whole. Railway gross earnings are more moderate than earlier in the year, but still reflect good gains in the volume of traffic over a year ago. Car shortages are not complained of much outside the lumber trade.

"Seasonal shutdowns of outside work on railroad improvements, suspensions of iron furnaces and copper, coal and iron ore mines, have rendered many thousands of persons idle. On the other hand, the longstanding curtailment of cotton mills is becoming a thing of the past, and some shutdown steel mills have resumed.

"The grocery trade is apparently active the country over, with coffees showing most price strength. The shoe trade, too, demand in some sections. Colder weather is needed to stimulate retail demand for dry goods and heavy clothing. Holiday goods are opening well, and the outlook is regarded as favorable for this line. Woolens are in smaller demand than expected. while a slight gain is noted in clothing. Mild weather affects the fur trade. More is doing in hardware, and the building trades are working into petter condition.

The iron and steel trades do not show much, if any, change. Prices are weak Fig iron sales are of small lots to fill hand-to-mouth demand, and talk of a 40 per cent, instead of 15 per cent, cut in furnace production is heard. In finished lines more relative strength is noted, but demand here is quiet without affecting quotations as seriously as in cruder forms. There are signs of a reawakening interest in export trade. Wheat, including flour, exports for the week ending Oct. 22

aggregate 4,265,080 bu, against 2,865,610 last week, 7,060,137 this week last year, 4,952,134 in 1901 and 4,932,978 in 1900. For sixteen weeks of the cereal year they aggregate 49,806,774 bu, against 83,826,319 in 1902, 95,530,-959 in 1901 and 54,216,311 in 1900. Corn exports for the week aggregate 1,809,885 bu, against 1,410,412 last week, 84,564 a year ago, 1,188,288 in 1901 and 3,365,651 in 1900. For sixteen weeks of the present cereal year they aggregate 17,050,537 bu, against 1,578,-846 in 1902, 14,639,183 in 1901 and 49,847,048 in

Business failures in the United States for the week ending yesterday number 216, of 1902, 223 in 1901, 161 in 1900 and 211 in

TRADE CONTINCES LARGE.

Despite the Curtailment of Activity in Various Industries.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23 .- R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade to-morrow will say: Numerous labor controversies have apreared, and more furnaces and mills have the tendency being to operate only the plants provided with the most modern equipment. There is no anxiety regarding ARREST OF JOHN TURNER WHILE | the host had deserted and returned home. legislation at the special session of Congress and despite the curtailment of activity in many manufacturing lines a heavy of business is being transacted. Flour mills at Minneapolis have fully rea big season's cut is contemplated at Minnesota lumber mills. Western traffic facilities are proving inadequate, the distribution of merchandise being enormous at the interior, and, taking the counwhole, conditions may be considered fairly satisfactory, although there is indisputable evidence that abnormal activity has received a check. Jobbing trade has become more quiet with the advancing season, and at many points the weather is not calculated to maintain buying of wearing apparel at retail. Gross earnings of the railways thus far reported for October surpass last year's by 6.2 per cent.

Another general reduction in quotations the restriction of output, and a movement i is on foot to further reduce production unless business improves. New orders are few and limited to immediate requirements. which is also true of finished steel. Not only have additional contracts failed to be offered, but cancellations of old orders are success, particularly in several lines for locked up. machinery and other high-classed products. Bank failures in the Pittsburg region have added to the unsettled condition of the iron and steel industry, and the financial situation is largely responsible for the postponement of contemplated structural work. A little encouragement was given to the textile industry by the placing of moderate orders for brown sheetings to be exported. but this Chinese business is of a special nature and not a revival of regular trade for the East. Otherwise the cotton goods market is without feature. As to woolens and worsted a slight increase in orders is noted. Clothing manufacturers are not seeking woolen goods and there is still a pressure to sell worsteds that makes prices irregular. Silks are weak and inactive. Large contracts have been placed for spring shipments of shoes and prices are somewhat firmer on a few lines, while others are steady and firm in tone. Heavy hemlock sole leather is strong, but other grades decline in response to the general weakness of domestic hides.

WESTERN COAL TRADE.

Congestion on the Railroads Is a Menace to Distribution.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. CHICAGO, Oct. 23.-The Black Diamond. official organ of the coal industry, reviewing the Western coal trade, to-morrow will

PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT.

Judge Penfield Says the United States

Is Entitled to It.

THE HAGUE, Oct. 23.-United States Minister Bowen and Judge W. L. Penfield, solicitor of the United States State Department, who is assisting Mr. Bowen in the Venezuelan negotiations before The Hague arbitration tribunal, have submitted to the tribunal, which resumes its sessions Nov. 4, preliminary statements concerning the question whether the allies are entitled to preferential treatment over the United States from Venezuela in the matter of claim payments. They explain that it is the most earnest wish and purpose of the United States to uphold the high character of the tribunal, to advance the cause of arbitration and to promote the most friendly and most peaceful relations between the nations. In his statement Judge Penfield says that if any government is entitled to preferential treatment it is the United States, which should share in the distribution of the 30 per cent. trust fund; the warlike operations of the allies did not benefit the United States.

Mr. Bowen asserts that to avert the possibilty of war the allies consented to present the matter to The Hague. Why the allies resorted to warlike measures, he continues, is a question they cannot answer creditably; if they did so through a lack of tact and good sense they deserve to be punished. In the opinion of the minister Venezuela is entitled to exemplary damages from the allies far in excess of even the combined claims against her.

SUFFOCATED IN SAND PIT

FATE OF THREE LITTLE CHILDREN WHILE PLAYING.

Parents Supposed They Had Been Kidnaped, but Found Their Bodies After a Long Search.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 23-Three children, Lucy Keogen, aged three, Loraine and Russell Anderson, aged, respectively, five and four years, were suffocated to-day in a sand pit where they had been playing.

The children had left their homes early in the morning and had gone to the pit, where they amused themselves by scooping out the sand underlying a bed of clay. It is supposed that they dug away too much of the sand and the heavier earth caved in upon and suffocated them. They were missed by their parents about noon and a general police alarm was sent out, it be- DOWIE ADVERTISING HIS PLACE BEing reported that the children had been kidnaped. The search was unavailing until late to-night a boy who had been with the children early in the day directed the searchers to the sand pit, and their dead bodies were found beneath a thin covering

YELLOW FEVER IN TEXAS

is active, though mild weather curtails IT SPREADS FROM SAN ANTONIO TO FORT SAM HOUSTON, NEAR BY.

> Soldier Attacked by the Disease-All the State Now Quarantined Against the City.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 23.-The yellow fever situation in San Antonio at the close of the day was very encouraging. The official bulletin to-night follows: New cases, 1; total cases, 9; total deaths, 3. The new case reported to-day is that of a soldier at Fort Sam Houston, who was taken sick before the post quarantined the city, but it was not determined until to-day that his case was yellow fever. It is a mild case. The State quarantine to-day declared against San Antonio has caused much indignation here, as the Governor has not declared State quarantine against Laredo, where there are nearly 500 cases against nine in San Antonio.

Daily Record at Laredo.

LAREDO, Tex., Oct. 23 .- The official yellow fever bulletin issued to-day is as against 203 last week, 194 in the like week | follows: New cases, 13; deaths, 5; total cases to date, 509; total deaths, 42. The latest report from the little mining town of Minerva states that there have been two additional cases of fever and one death there, making the total cases 101 and the total deaths 8. A bulletin issued at Nuevo Laredo to-day

says there are at present eight cases there. Two deaths occurred there yesterday.

SPEAKING IN NEW YORK.

Englishman for Whom Federal Officers Had Been Searching-Emma Goldman Was with Him.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23 .- Armed with a warrant sworn out by Secretary Cortelyou, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, four immigration inspectors, with several secret-service detectives and a number of policemen, went to Murray Hill Lyceum tonight and arrested John Turner, an Englishman, on charge of inciting and promoting of pig iron has occurred, notwithstanding anarchy, in violation of the alien labor laws. Turner had just finished a lecture on der or kidnaping. Some of them were "Trade Unionism of the General Strike," and the hall, which was crowded, was in an uproar when the arrest was made, but the police were too numerous for the crowd to do more than shout their disapproval. reported. Efforts are being made to se- Turner was put on board a revenue cutter cure foreign trade, with fair prospects of and taken to Ellis island, where he was

> Immigration Commissioner Williams has had a warrant for Turner's arrest for the past five weeks. The federal officials allege that he had been going from city to city preaching anarchy, and though trailed by a number of secret-service detectives. he was not apprehended until to-night. Emma Goldman sat on the platform with Turner and denounced his arrest, but urged the crowd to leave the hall without making

The police confiscated a lot of anarchistic circulars and cards which had been distributed announcing that "John Turner, chief organizer of the National Shop Assistants' (retail clerks) Union of England, a member of the executive committee of London trades on Oct. 27, Nov. 1, 8, 9 and 15." Turner will be arraigned before a United States commissioner to-morrow.

J. E. BROWN ARRESTED.

Ohioan Who Is Alleged to Have Embezzled \$103,990 Caught in 'Frisco. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 23.-John Brown, who is wanted in New Holland, O., attendance. Dowle said he would carry for the embezzlement of bank funds, was Court of the United States.

arrested here to-night. NEW HOLLAND, O., Oct. 23.-John K. Brown was the cashier of the Union Bank-

THE CZAR

Has written a melancholy song, and it is reported to be selling rapidly. Surely, the Czar's song would be appreciated by quite a number of Indianapolis people



FORE NEW YORKERS.

Mrs. Dowie and Her Son Say Farewell Before Starting for Europe and Australia.

NO DESERTIONS IN THE ARMY

PART OF THE "HOST" RETURNING HOME FOR BUSINESS REASONS.

Elijah Threatened with Kidnaping-4.250,000 Persons Given the "Divine Message."

NEW YORK, Oct. 23 .- The Dowie meeting to-night in Madison-square Garden was given over principally to a farewell to Mrs. Dowie and her son, who will leave for Europe to-morrow. Both made addresses appealing to the audience for better behavior and denying that they were leaving on account of Dowie methods. The trip to Europe and Australia, both declared, had been mission was finally decided upon.

Dr. Dowie took as the subject of his disvided the talents among his servants, using it to illustrate his argument that even the of about 1,500 of the audience and made no attempt to resume his exposition of the Scriptures, launching out into a long laudation of Zion as a place of residence, during which he announced that he would not address the meeting to-morrow night, when views of Zion would be shown with explanatory remarks by various overseers. He then announced the approaching departure

of his wife and son. In the course of his address A. G. Gladstone Dowie denied that 750 members of He declared that only 112 had gone back to attend to business in Zion and that others would take their places. They left this morning on a special train of five coaches over the West Shore road, in charge of Deacons J. W. Crane and daughter, Wil-Ropp, Stevenson and Funger. According to Deacon Newcombe, the Zionists were bound for Zion because others wished to come to New York. "As many as leave will be replaced by new recruits," said the deacon. Many of the party were suffering from colds, brought on by exposure in the work of house-to-house visitation and the

many changes of atmosphere of the garden to the piercing air. While the lieutenants were looking after the excursionists at Weehawken. Dowie was left almost alone to conduct the early morning service at the garden. During his address he said that he had received about fifty letters during his stay here, all of which either threatened him with mursigned "committee." He said he was not afraid. He announced that he expected 200 more of his followers to arrive here or Monday with a fresh supply of provisions here by the "host," he said that 75,000 houses were visited yesterday. Estimating that each house contained about eight persons he said that 4,250,000 persons had received the "Divine message" since his ar-

It was said that the departing members of the "host" had returned to Zion City because so many of the heads of departments had left their places there vacant that the management of the city was sufof discouragement among those going away being responsible for them leaving Many members of the "host" received a tickets would have to be used during the early part of next week. It has been understood, it is said, that all the tickets were good for two weeks, but now it is said that most of them will have to return several days sooner or lose their trans-

At the general meeting this morning which was attended by about 3,000 persons Dowie talked on "What a Christian Should Do When Sick." He said that when a Christian became ill he should go to the elders of the church for relief and not to a physician. He criticised a decision of a Zionite indirectly responsible for a child's E. death because there was no physician in the case, if necessary, to the Supreme

Fifty Years for Killing Sweetheart. ransportation conditions in some Western territory have grown worse during the past week, and, had it not been for the continued summer-like weather, it is probable they would have had a considerable able they would have had a considerable able they would not be a considerable able to prison for fifty years for murder of Miss Alta May Gallimore, two months ago. The couple had been sweethearts and quarreled. After shooting the continued summer are considerable able to prison for fifty years for murder of Miss Alta May Gallimore, two months ago. The couple had been sweethearts and quarreled able to prison for fifty years for murder of Miss Alta May Gallimore, two months ago. The couple had been sweethearts and quarreled able to prison for fifty years for murder of a good family.

TWO PEDDLERS MANGLED.

One Attempted to Cut Off the Top of an Empty Nitroglycerin Can.

BUTLER, Pa., Oct. 23.-William Marks was killed and Patrick Hardy fatally injured here to-day by an explosion of nitroglycerin. The men were peddlers of small notions and had camped in the woods near here. To-day they found an empty can, which they supposed had contained maple syrup from the small bit of sticky substance adhering to the top. Marks sat down with the can between his knees and commenced to cut out the top so as to transform it into a water vessel. The small portion of the nitoglycerin at once exploded and Marks's head, hands and feet were blown off and his body disemboweled. Hardy, who was standing close by, had his eyes blown out and the bones in his arms and legs shattered in a dozen places. He cannot recover.

MRS. CECIL SEIBERT TSED BROTH-ER'S REVOLVER TO DRIVE A NAIL.

Weapon Was Discharged, the Bullet Making a Painful Injury in Her Right Hand.

While driving a nail into the wall of her room with the butt of a revolver, yesterday morning, Miss Cecil Seibert, 1612 East Nineteenth street, was wounded in the planned many months before the New York | right hand by the accidental discharge of

course the parable of the nobleman who di- and, being unable to find a hammer, she of the disposition of practically all his it was loaded. The wound, while painful, Lord rewarded the successful business is not at all serious, and it is not thought | disappointed has been raised and will not man. He was interrupted by the exodus that she will be crippled on account of her be quieted, a marked change in the may- not serious, but he will be marked for life.

KATHARINE PIERCE, FIVE YEARS OLD, FELL INTO CISTERN AT PLAY.

Mother at Work in Kitchen Missed the Child and Ran to the Uncovered Reservoir.

hite, Lauder, Ely. Pettinger, Peterson, TINY HAT FLOATED ON SURFACE

MRS. PIERCE FOUGHT DOWN HYS-TERIA AND TRIED TO SAVE BABY.

Rake Finally Brought Up the Body,

but Life Was Extinct-Mother's

Condition Serious.

Katherine M. Pierce, the five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pierce, In talking of the visitation work done of the Brookville road, just east of the Belt Railroad, fell into the cistern in the rear of the house yesterday morning and was drowned. She was playing in the yard and her mother was busy with the house-

hold duties and did not notice that her child had raised the board which covered Mrs. Pierce missed her child just at the fering. Nothing was said about a feeling time the little girl was falling to her death and at once noticed that the cover of the cistern had been removed. Peering severe shock to-day when they were in- down into the opening she saw the hat formed by the railway companies that their | her child had been wearing floating around

> on top of the water. MOTHER FOUND THE BODY. The mother became almost hysterical, but calmed herself enough to seize a rake which was lying near by and after several efforts she raised the body of her daughter from the bottom of the cistern and a moment later held her child's lifeless form clasped

She rushed to the house and called for the New York Court of Appeals, holding a doctor, but on the arrival of the physician her worst fears were realized. The hild was pronounced dead and the mother fainted. It was some time before she again became conscious and last night it was necessary to have a doctor at her side constantly, so serious was her condition. The remains of the child were placed in charge of George Herrmann, the undertaker, and the funeral will be held under his direcaion from the Pierce home this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The interment will be at

HOLTZMAN'S APPOINTMENTS MUST MEET HIS APPROVAL.

Heavy Price Paid by the Keach Con tingent to the Sage of French Lick for His Assistance.

BOSS AGAIN ON TOP

HE COUNTERACTED THE HARM DONE HOLTZMAN BY THE NEWS.

For that Reason the City Hall Basement Is Filled with Men Composing Taggart's Old Machine.

Pursued, harassed, nagged and beseeched, cajoled, threatened on every hand and at every turn, John W. Holtzman is fast losing his erstwhile amiable dispo-

During the first few days of his incumbency of the mayor's office he was all urbanity and graciousness and he took the importunings of office seekers and the gibes of political mercenaries in the best spirit and maintained a triumph-flushed but un-Miss Seibert wanted to hang a picture, ruffled demeanor. Since the announcements decided to use her brother's revelver to patronage have been made, however, and drive a nail into the wall, and forgot that the long, loud wail of the disgruntled and or's bearing has become apparent. He displays irritation at the criticisms heaped upon him from those who were ostensibly his warm friends but a few days since, and he no longer remains quiet under the gibes of the jesters. Last evening he was standing in the lobby of the Claypool, talking with E. M. Johnson and one or two other Democratic friends, when Frank M. Dice, of Crawfordsville, and Sid Conger, of Shelbyville, two well-known Republicans, approached the group.

"Mr. Holtzman," said Mr. Dice, extending his hand, "I have been wanting to see you that I might congratulate you and tell you how heartily I indorse the beginning you have made as mayor."

Mr. Holtzman accepted the proffered hand cordially, but a dubious expression passed over his face-was he about to receive approval for his 11 o'clock closing order, or what?

are going to give us just the kind of administration we had every right to expect from you-a Democratic administration in every sense of the word," continued Mr. Dice. "You have shown this by your appointments. I am glad you are showing no consideration for the Republicans who elected you. You were elected as a Democrat and the Democrats ought to reap all the rewards.

One or two others who had joined the group applauded this sentiment and 'rubbed it in" a little more, and the mayor flushed and asked with some asperity: "Well, who nominated me?" No one was so unkind as to answer monosyllabically but definitely, "Keach," and the mayor continued:

"Did I ever say I was a Republican?" What Mr. Holtzman did say every night he spoke during the campaign was: "While I am a Democrat and believe in that great Democratic principle of equal and exact justice toward all and special and exclusive privileges for none, yet I am not so narrow that I cannot stand shoulder to shoulder with any Republican who will vote the Democratic city ticket this fall, or words to that effect. The mayor apparently had other things

to say that would tend to show further that the worm has turned, but a diversion was created and the group broke up. ELEMENT THAT ELECTED HIM.

However, the consensus of opinion as to who and what really elected Mr. Holtzman has changed materially within the past few days. Heretofore it has been claimed, with few dissenting voices, that he owed his election solely to Republican votes. Now it appears that while he would not have been elected but for the Republicans who voted for him, yet with all the Republican votes he received he could not have been elected but for one more potent factor-the mayor and Democratic boss, both former and present, active and potential. This conclusion has been forced on discerning politicians of all parties. It begart is seen in every official act of the new mayor. A prominent Democrat who has worked with Mr. Taggart in local, State and national campaigns told the story yes-

DID NOT USE TORPEDOES.

PRICE 2 CENTS.

Flagman Saums Merely Displayed a

Red Light. TRENTON, N. J., Oct. 23.-The coroner's inquest into the cause of the rear-end collision at Washington's Crossing last Saturday, which resulted in the death of seventeen persons, was commenced here today. The principal witnesses were Joseph Saums, flagman of the work train into which the second train ran, and Robert H. Reed, engineer of the second train. Saums testified that he went back with lanterns just as soon as the work train stopped and that when he got back about 500 feet he signaled the approaching train. He did not put down any torpedoes on the track and there were no torpedoes on his train. R. H. Reed, engineer of the second train, testified that he was only about fifty yards from the work train when he saw Saums with the red light. He immediately whistled for the putting on of brakes. His train at the time was going ten miles an hour. Reed was positive that it was Saums and not Parker whom he saw signaling him. Reed testified also that he saw no red light on the rear end of the work train ahead of

was to the effect that there were red lights on the rear of the tool car, but this was not the last car of the train. Behind the tool car was a gondola car. Saums claims that the lights on the tool car could be seen from the rear over the top of the gon-The inquest will be resumed to-morrow, when the jury will visit the scene of the

SMALL BOYS CONFESS TO HAVING BEEN DRUNK A NUMBER OF TIMES.

They Inform Judge Stubbs that Liquor Was Sold Them at Merrick's Indiana-Avenue Saloon.

In the Juvenile Court yesterday, four small boys, whose ages ranged from twelve to fourteen years, were arraigned before Judge Stubbs on charges of drunkenness. The boys admitted that they often bought beer and whisky and had on a number of occasions become very drunk. They purhased their liquor at Dick Merrick's saloon on Indiana avenue, they said, and the officers of the court are investigating the case. If it is found true that Merrick has been selling liquor to minors, action will be taken against him. The judge took the cases of the boys under advisement for a

HARRY FURBER SHOT WHILE TRY-ING TO SEPARATE FRIENDS.

Fight Started in Dewitt's Saloon and Was Renewed in Street-Benjamin Johnson Fired Shot

Harry Furber, 440 North Delaware street, while attempting to act the part of a peacemaker with several of his friends who were quarreling in front of the Empire Theater saloon, on Delaware street, last night, was shot in the face by Benjamin Johnson, an

onlooker, who chose to interfere. The quarrel was begun in Dewitt's saloon at 110 North Delaware street, between Leroy Hallett, 2322 North Pennsylvania street, Ben Jearel, 1228 East Tenth street, and W. J. Jarvis, of 324 North Missouri street. The bartender put all the young men out into the street and once outside they began to fight again. At that point Johnson interfered and Furber, seeing that his friends were becoming vicious, stepped into the midst of the fray to separate them. Johnson became infuriated, it is said, drew a revolver from his pocket and shot Furber in the face. The bullet struck him squarely on the end of the nose and lodged in his right jaw. He was taken to the City Hospital in the Dispensary ambulance, attended by Dr. Wallace, and the bullet was extracted by Dr. Wallace. His condition is

Johnson escaped the police and up to an early hour this morning had not been arrested. Hallett, Jearel and Jarvis were arrested last night and were slated for assault and battery.

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY DE-

LIVERS A CAMPAIGN SPEECH.

Tells Iowans the Democrats Are Groping in the Dark with No Prospect of an Issue.

MUSCATINE, Ia., Oct. 23.-Leslie M Shaw, secretary of the treasury of the "I just want to say that I believe you United States, opened the Iowa campaign to-night with a speech at Muscatine in which he talked for two hours upon the tariff, trust, money and ship subsidy questions, making as the keynote of his talk an appeal to the people to demand the opening of the markets of the South for United States products. He spoke for two hours to the largest political gathering ever as-

"We are now within twelve months o another national campaign," he said, "and with no present indication of an issue. Our friends are groping in the dark. The candidate for Governor in no State dare express himself on the money question. The Democratic nominee for Governor in no State dare say whether he is in favor of free silver or of the gold standard; whether he is a bimetallist or a monometallist; whether he is a Bryan Democrat or a Cleveland Democrat. And the Democratic candidate for Governor in no State except Iowa dare define himself on the tariff question. Of course, they will all dare say that the tariff should be revised by a Democratic majority. Of course, they all dare say that the tariff should be modified wherever it would be to the advantage of the country to have it modified. Of course, the Democratic candidate for Governor in Massachusetts dare recommend free wool and free hides, but none of them except the candidate for Governor of this State dare say whether he is in favor of a tariff for revenue only or whether he is in favor of a tariff for protection. The details of tariff schedules cannot afford an issue for a na-

GIRL ASSASSINATED.

tional campaign.

Shot by a Rejected Lover, Who Ended His Own Life with a Gun.

BETHEL, Me., Oct. 23.-Beulah York, a active support of Thomas Taggart, former farmer's daughter, aged fifteen years, was they are doing. Then after the report is shot and killed last night by Ora Green, who then blew off his own head. Green was a laborer on the York farm. He cerning politicians of all parties. It be-comes more apparent as the hand of Tag-was thirty years old, and is said to have examination and learn the actual workings fused to accept his attentions. The tragedy occurred at the home of the girl's father, Orington York, at Newry, which is a small "There's been a lot of talk to the effect woman was shot as she sat by a window reading. She was an only child.

STATE AUDITOR SHERRICK WILL BEGIN HIS CAMPAIGN TO-DAY.

Attorney General Will Sue to Wind Up Affairs of Homestead Loan and Investment Company.

WEIRD FINANCIAL SCHEME

CONCERN WOULD NEED ALL ROCKE-FELLER'S WEALTH TO KEEP UP.

Testimony of the crew of the work train | Investigation Develops that the Company Would Have to Have 3,000,000 Sembers to Live Two Years.

SHERRICK WILL ASK LEGISLATURE TO PROTECT WAGE EARNERS.

The Widow and Orphan, the Poorest People, Often Beggared by This Kind of Mathematical Juggling.

Auditor of State Sherrick will this morning ask the attorney general to begin an action in the Marion county courts, looking to the winding up of the affairs of the Homestead Loan and Investment Association. The auditor will not act on the theory that a receiver should be appointed for this company. It is hoped to have some reliable person or corporation appointed at once so that as much of the assets as possible may

be saved to the 2,500 members. The auditor's action is based on the investigation made by his office into the affairs of the company, which examination occupied several days. The association headquarters is in the Baldwin block. It has no president at the present time, but G. E. Davis is the vice president. L. U. Downey, of Owen county, was formerly president of the association. The secretary is Charles Buhland, who about a month ago succeeded Mrs. Mary Barr.

AN IMPOSSIBLE SCHEME. It was stated at the auditor's office yesterday that any court would appoint a receiver for this association because of the absolute impracticability of its scheme. Auditor Sherrick said that as far as he is personally concerned he had not thought an investigation necessary, because to him the plan of the concern seemed utterly impossible. However, it was desired to give the officers of the association an opportunity of showing what they proposed to do. It was the plan of the association to furnish homesteads to the members. A

man would take out \$1,000 worth of stock and pay \$1 a month for twelve months. At the end of the seventh month he began to get benefits-that is, the association would place on deposit the sum of \$20 for him. He was not expected to touch it, however, until his year was up. In twelve months the member would receive \$1,000 to apply on a home. The scheme of the association was to double the membership and the number of shares issued each month. After the member got his first \$1,000 he was supposed to pay into the association

NEEDED WEALTH OF CROESUS. It is figured out at the auditor's office that by the time the nineteenth month rolled around the association, in order to "make good" with the membership, would have had to sell \$262,144,000 worth of stock. By the end of the twentieth month the total amount of stock sold would have to be \$524,297,000. The experts in the auditor's office estimated last night that the association to do all it promised would, by the nineteenth month after organization, need as members every man, woman and child

in the State of Indiana and each member

would have to own at least twenty shares

of stock.

The association began to operate the present plan about a year ago and in that time has paid out about \$3,000 in full benefits. This means that three people have received full benefits. The books show that a number of other persons have received partial benefits, in receiving equities in different properties. It is stated that in four out of five cases where people have been benefited either fully or partially, they only hold equities in property. George U. Bingham and J. W. Mendenhall, expert accountants in the office of the auditor, made their report to Mr. Sherrick yesterday, regarding the affairs of the association, and the State auditor visited the office of the attorney general in the afternoon, but found him absent. This morning the attorney general will be asked to proceed at once. The officers of the assoclation declare that their scheme is possible and insist that they would have been able to keep all their obligations. The auditor, however, cannot take this view of the case. It is understood that O. D. Reeves was the original inventor of the plan used by this association. He says, however, that the association has not adhered entirely to the ideas advanced by him.

WILL DRIVE THEM OUT.

Auditor Sherrick says it is his purpose to

pursue relentlessly the promoters of all such schemes until he succeeds in driving them from the State. "I can look complacently on Wall street speculators," said he, "without a care as to who is worsted, but when it comes to embarking in schemes to secure the money of the small wage earners by enterprises that look plausible on their face, but which are impossible of fulfillment, it is time to act, and as an official I feel it is my duty to go as far as the law will permit in exterminating them. Often such promoters gain the influence of superintendents and foremen of factories by the payment of commissions and using the confidence that the employe has in those above him. The plausibility of their scheme induces an investment in their enterprise. The wife or mother, always honeful of some day living in her own home. makes sacrifices to meet the required payments, often denying herself and family of the common necessities of life, only to learn in a few months that failure has come and these savings, often earned over the wash tub, have been dissipated. In addition to the dishonesty that attaches to ordinary swindling there is that brutal cruelty, because of the class of people they seek as their victims, that will appeal to any man possessed of the least sense of justice or human sympathy. I do not mean to impugn the integrity of any man connected with this class of institutions, for can understand how an honest man can be honestly misguided in his enthusiasm over systems of mathematical juggling. "It is presumed by the general public that the auditor of state stands between the people and such visionary enterprises, but if they will examine the law they will see how little authority he has in driving them out of business. They are only required to make annual reports to him and may thus operate a year before he has made he can only make an examination when such report discloses that they are doing an illegal or unsafe business. This been infatuated with the girl, who re- and safety of such institutions. It is my purpose to request the Governor to recommend to the next Legislature the passage of a compulsory examination law for these institutions, giving to this office the same power that it now possesses over banks and trust companies, and I mean to follow